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FOR:	IMPLANT HAVING IMPROVED FIXATION	:	
	TO A BODY LUMEN AND METHOD FOR	:	
	IMPLANTING THE SAME	:	

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the restriction requirement of February 13, 2003, the applicant elects for prosecution, without traverse, the claims of Group I, namely, claims 1-15, 25-27, 33, and 34, drawn to a prosthetic device with a cord. In response to the election of species requirement, the applicant elects, without traverse, embodiment A of Group I, namely, the embodiment shown in Figs. 1-3 and 6. The claims corresponding to embodiment A are claims 1-15 and 25-27. For completeness, the applicant notes that embodiment B (Fig. 4) should be placed with Group II, namely, a device with a tab.

Respectfully submitted,

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